

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOLTVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL  
June 24, 2013**

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The regular meeting of the Holtville City Council was held on Monday, June 24, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. in the Civic Center. Council Members present were Mike Goodsell, Richard Layton, David Bradshaw, Jim Predmore and Ginger Ward. Staff members present were Alex Meyerhoff, Nick Wells and Glyn Snyder. City Treasurer Pete Mellinger, City Engineer Jack Holt and City Attorney Steve Walker were also present. City Planner Justina Arce was absent.

**CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Mr. Goodsell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**CITY COUNCIL OPEN SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Mr. Goodsell called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

**INVOCATION:**

The invocation was led by Pastor Richard Moore of Trinity Baptist Church.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by David Bradshaw.

**CITY CLERK RE: VERIFICATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA:**

The City Clerk verified that the agenda was duly posted on June 21, 2013.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION:**

*(Government Code Section 54956.9(a))*

Willowbend LLC vs. City Of Holtville

Efrain Martinez vs. City of Holtville

Black Dog Farms vs. City of Holtville

No reportable action taken.

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:**

*(Government Code Section 54956.9(c))*

Claim of Dick Otto

Claim of Federico Garcia

No reportable action taken.

**PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT**

*(Government Code Section 54957.6)*

City Manager Evaluation

No reportable action taken.

**CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS:**

*(Government Code Section 54956.9)*

Property: APN 045-631-010-000 (SEC Fern Avenue and Fourth Street)

Agency Negotiators: City Manager and City Attorney

Under Negotiation: Terms and Lease of Operation

No reportable action taken.

Property: APN 045-330-034-000 (640 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Space 5)  
Agency Negotiators: City Manager and City Attorney  
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment  
No reportable action taken.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Charla Teeters, representative of the Imperial County Film Commission came before Council to give an update on their last fiscal year. She said 49 productions were filmed in the last fiscal year which contributed \$1.1 million to the local economy. Ms. Teeters invited everyone to attend the third annual Film Festival on August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at Cinemark in the Imperial Valley Mall. This event focuses on local talent and will include workshops, short films and an awards ceremony.

## **PRESENTATION – Citrus Pest And Prevention Program – Mark R. Olson, California Department Of Food And Agriculture**

Mr. Olson and Mr. Carlos Ortiz of the Imperial County Agricultural Commissioner's Office gave a presentation on the Asian citrus psyllid which causes Huanglongbing (HLB) disease in citrus trees. Handouts were provided.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

### **1. Approval of Minutes Of The Regular Meeting Of June 10, 2013**

### **2. Current Demands #31962 To #31972**

A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw and seconded by Mr. Layton to approve Consent Agenda items 1 and 2. The motion carried 5/0.

## **REPORTS OF OFFICERS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND COMMUNIQUE:**

Mr. Bradshaw attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the Grape Avenue Project. He also attended the Ice Cream Social.

Mr. Predmore attended an Open House at Senator Ben Hueso's office in El Centro.

Mr. Goodsell thanked Mr. Predmore for preparing the slide show for the State of the City Address which was given prior to the Council meeting.

Mr. Layton attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the Grape Avenue Project.

Ms. Ward attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the Grape Avenue Project. She also attended the Ice Cream Social.

Mr. Wells reported there was a water break today at 7<sup>th</sup> and Brentwood.

Mr. Mellinger reported he visited with Charley Schreiber at the Ice Cream Social. Mr. Schreiber will be building the new homes at Holtville Estates. Mr. Schreiber has been setting up a booth at the Farmer's Markets and he says there is a lot of interest in the new homes.

Mr. Holt reported the Fifth and Grape Avenue Project is scheduled to start on July 8<sup>th</sup>.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- 3. Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 13-30 Authorizing And Approving Mayor And City Attorney To Execute A Purchase Agreement With The County Of Imperial For APN # 045-631-010 For The Purchase Of Tax-Defaulted Property By Agreement Sale Under Applicable Provisions Of The California Revenue And Taxation Code – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager**

A motion was made by Mr. Layton and seconded by Ms. Ward to adopt Resolution 13-30 authorizing and approving Mayor and City Attorney to execute a Purchase Agreement with the County of Imperial for APN # 045-631-010 for the purchase of tax-defaulted property by Agreement Sale under applicable provisions of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 4. Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 13-31 Directing The Mayor To Sign The Memorandum Of Understanding And Direct Staff To Participate In The Mexicali-Imperial Binational Alliance – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager**

A motion was made by Mr. Predmore and seconded by Ms. Ward to adopt Resolution 13-31 directing the Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding and direct staff to participate in the Mexicali-Imperial Binational Alliance. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

- 5. Discussion/Related Action To Adopt Urgency ORDINANCE 479 Repealing Holtville Municipal Code Chapter 9.20 – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager**

A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw and seconded by Mr. Predmore to adopt Urgency Ordinance 479 repealing Holtville Municipal Code Chapter 9.20. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

Mr. Meyerhoff asked for clarification regarding the application permit fee for the fireworks stand. The amount to be charged is \$1000.

- 6. Discussion/Related Action To Waive Certain Portions Of The Fireworks Ordinance 478 Pertaining To The Chamber Of Commerce Non-profit Status – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager**

A motion was made by Mr. Predmore and seconded by Mr. Layton to waive certain portions of the Fireworks Ordinance 478 pertaining to the Chamber of Commerce non-profit status. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

- 7. Discussion/Related Action To Designate A Voting Delegate And Alternate For The 2013 League of California Cities Annual Conference – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager**

A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw and seconded by Mr. Layton to designate Mr. Predmore as a voting delegate and Ms. Ward as an alternate for the 2013 League of California Cities Annual Conference. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Mellinger said the City should not waste money on this conference.

## **INFORMATION ONLY:**

**8. City Manager Report – Alex Meyerhoff**

- a. Finance Manager – Nick Wells**
- b. Public Works Supervisor – Alex Chavez**
- c. Water Works Supervisor – Frank Cornejo**
- d. Fire Chief – Alex Silva**

**Staff Reports**

Written reports were provided by the following: City Manager, Public Works Supervisor, Water Works Supervisor and Fire Chief.

Mr. Meyerhoff reviewed the written report provided to Council. He also reported that IID donated \$1,000 to Holtville's swimming program.

The City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> is being cancelled due to the lack of a quorum.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Goodsell adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

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Mike Goodsell, Mayor

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Glyn Snyder, City Clerk